

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 138**

February 9, 2015

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits a person or organization distributing, or causing to be distributed a sample ballot, from using the name of any statewide political party on such ballot without written permission from the state executive committee of statewide political party. Creates a Class B misdemeanor violation for the person or organization distributing or causing to be distributed the sample ballot. Requires any candidate who pays money or another form of consideration to be endorsed on a sample ballot to report the payment as an expenditure on any statement required to be filed with the Registry of Election Finance.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- The Department of State confirms there is no operational impact that will affect state expenditures.
- The Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) and the County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS) both confirm that there is no operational impact that will affect expenditures of municipalities or counties respectively.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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